GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:67
ANSWERED ON:03.03.2008
PROCUREMENT OF HELICOPTERS FOR ARMED FORCES
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to procure helicopters for the Army, Navy and Air Force;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the progress made in this regard and the names of the companies with which the deals have been proposed?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.67 FOR ANSWER ON 3.3.2008

Government constantly review the security environment and accordingly decide to induct appropriate equipment including helicopters for adequate defence preparedness. Presently, proposals for procurement of various types of helicopters, such as, Heavy Lift Helicopters, Medium Lift Helicopters, Advanced Light Helicopters and Reconnaissance & Observation Helicopters for the Armed Forces are being progressed in accordance with the Defence Procurement Procedure. Divulging names of the companies during the procurement process will not be in the national interest.